of Katherine Riley Lugar on December 28, 2005, at Sibley Memorial Hospital in Washington, DC. Katherine was a healthy 8 pounds, 1 ounce at birth. Her parents are David Riley Lugar, son of Richard and Charlene Lugar; and his wife, Katherine Graham Lugar, daughter of Lawrence and Jane Graham. Katherine was born at 4:20 p.m. and in the next few hours was joined in the hospital delivery room by Jane Graham. Richard and Charlene Lugar, and David's brother, John Lugar with his wife. Kelly. We shared together a wonderful experience. On the next day, Katherine met her sister, Elizabeth Merrell Lugar, who was born at Sibley Memorial Hospital on May 25, 2004. The two girls and their parents are now safe and healthy in their McLean, VA, residence.

Katherine and David were married on June 3, 2000, in St. David's Episcopal Church in Austin, TX. Katherine, a graduate of the University of Colorado, is Vice President of Federal Government Relations for St. Paul Travelers. David Lugar, who came with us to Washington, along with his three brothers, 29 years ago, graduated from Langley High School in McLean, VA, and Indiana University. He is a partner of Quinn Gillespie & Associates. Both Katherine and David are well known to many of our colleagues and their staff members. We know that you will understand our excitement and our joy that they and we have been given this divine blessing and responsibility for a glorious new chapter in our lives.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-5221. A communication from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's Report on Fiscal Year 2005 Competitive Sourcing Efforts; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5222. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semi-annual report on the continued compliance of Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Moldova, the Russian Federation,

Tajikistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan with the 1974 Trade Act's freedom of emigration provisions, as required under the Jackson-Vanik Amendment; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5223. A communication from the President of the United States of America, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to entering a free trade agreement with the Republic of Peru; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5224. A communication from the Inspector General, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, the report of a draft bill entitled "Enhanced Protection of the Internal Revenue Service and Its Employees Act of 2005"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5225. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the impact of the Andean Trade Preference Act on U.S. trade and employment from 2003 to 2004; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5226. A communication from the Regulations Officer, Office of Disability and Income Security Programs, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Part D Subsidies" (RIN0960-AG03) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5227. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Annual Cumulative List of Changes in Plan Qualification Requirements" (Notice 2005–101) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5228. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Consent Procedures for Changes Under Simplified Service Cost and Simplified Production Methods" (Rev. Proc. 2006–11) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5229. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Annual Update of No-Rule Rev. Proc." (Rev. Proc. 20006-3) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5230. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bureau of Labor Statistics Price Indexes for Department Stores—October 2005" (Rev. Rul. 2005–79) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5231. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "RIC Commodity Swaps" (Rev. Rul. 2006-1) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5232. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates—January 2006" (Rev. Rul. 2006-4) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5233. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revocation of Rev. Rul. 74-503" (Rev. Rul. 2006-2) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5234. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch,

Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Japanese YKs" (Rev. Rul. 2006-3) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5235. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "TD: Refunding Regulations under Section 141" ((RIN1545-AU98) (TD9234)) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5236. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Section 1374 Effective Dates" ((RIN1545-BD95) (TD9236)) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5237. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance under Sec. 7874 for Determining Ownership by Former Shareholders or Partners of Domestic Entities" ((RIN1545-BE94) (TD9238)) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5238. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Acceptance Agent Revenue Procedure" (Rev. Proc. 2006-10) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5239. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Internal Revenue Code section 482: Allocation of Income and Deductions Among Taxpayers" (Rev. Proc. 2006-9) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5240. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reporting Requirements under Temporary Income Tax Regulations on Conversions to Roth IRAs" (Rev. Proc. 2006-13) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5241. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Automatic Accounting Method Change Procedures for Intangibles" (Rev. Proc. 2006-12) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5242. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Updating Rev. Proc. 2006-7 and 2005-1" (Rev. Proc. 2006-7) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5243. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Transition Relief for Certain Partnerships and Other Pass-Thru Entities under section 470" (Notice 2006-2) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance

EC-5244. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Information Reporting for Distributions with Respect to Securities Issued by Foreign Corporations"